

Postal Regulatory Commission

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that the Commission received three petitions for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the Bovill post office in Bovill, Idaho. The first petition for review received December 28, 2011, was filed by Jamie Fiorino, Pastor, Bovill Presbyterian Church. The second petition for review received January 10, 2012, was filed by Diane L. Holt. The third petition for review received January 10, 2012, was filed by Manley and Karen Waldron. The earliest postmark date is December 14, 2011.

This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review).



Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary

Date: January 18, 2012

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December 13, 2011

Dean J. Granholm
Vice President, Delivery and Post Office Operations
Postal Regulatory Commission
901 New York Ave NW, Ste 200
Washington D.C. 20268-0001



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Re: The closing of the Bovill, Idaho post office

Mr. Granholm,

We, the Session of the Bovill Community Presbyterian Church, would like you to reconsider the closing of our local post office. While we don't generate a high volume of mail through the 83806 zip code, the post office is hub of our small town and surrounding community. As you are aware, we have no retail center in our town but we do take pride in having a post office. It is the center of most of our days: running into one another, passing a story along or seeking help from or for others.

Additionally, we take offense at the many mistakes and blatant assumptions in your report, namely:

- The town of Bovill, Idaho was incorporated in 1907. Your report incorrectly states we are unincorporated.
- We are the only active church in this community and we are a Presbyterian Church (USA), not Lutheran.
- Of the 61 returned questionnaires regarding your proposed changes only one was favorable. How can you be so confident of this new plan when an overwhelming majority of the community is obviously against it?
- The yearly income generated by this office has gone down because our population has gone down, but the demand of the services provided by the Postal Service has not, namely postage purchases and money orders. For many members of this community, driving to a larger town for banking is a luxury. This post office is the only way a lot of bills get paid. We feel the Stamps By Mail and Postal Money Orders from the carrier are not responsible or fair alternatives to the already existing centralized post office.
- Furthermore, your decision to provide our postal service out of Deary based on the assumption that we drive further to Moscow for "shopping, medical appointments and for (our) banking needs" is erroneous. We drive there sparingly and only because there's nothing closer. We are not an affluent community; several families in this town don't own cars that can get them to Moscow and those who do can't afford the gas it takes for frequent trips into town.

Might we suggest reducing the hours of the local office, since an employee would have to drive out here from the Deary office to fill the cluster boxes anyway? Perhaps they could stay a couple of hours a day in the building to provide customer service. At the very least, will you please consider keeping the building and individual boxes open and placing an automated machine inside for our shipping and purchasing needs?

May God bless you and keep you as you decide the future of this vital service to our town.

Sincerely,

The Session of Bovill Presbyterian Church
Jamie Fiorino, Pastor

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January 2, 2012

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I am writing you to file my complaint about closing the Bovill, Idaho Post Office. You don't even have the right information about our town. You have down that "Bovill is an unincorporated community". We are an incorporated town, we have a mayor and a city council. We receive tax money. We also have a Bovill Fire District that is supported by tax dollars. We are not a farming community, we are a logging community. There are a number of people living in town that are in the logging industry. We do not have a Lutheran Church in Bovill, it is a Presbyterian Church. I don't know who gave you the information about the town, but they sure didn't know much about it. If you got your information from Tammy Hoisington, the former Postmaster, she hated the town and was out to do whatever she could to hurt it as much as she could.

Your decision will adversely affect the community! We will not get any new businesses moved in. We will probably lose the Charter School we have here, and we will probably also lose the Bovill Grade School. You are killing our town!

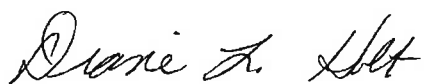
I can see you cutting the level of the office and cutting back on hours, but leave our Post Office here.

I am the retired Postmaster, still living in town. I know how much this office is needed here. I spent 35 years working in this office. I was a part time flex for 10 years, and Postmaster for 25 years. People depend on this office.

Diane L. Holt

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Please pay attention for our Bovill
post office closing! We are
mostly senior citizens that need our
medicine to come thru the post office.
Moscow is 34 miles away. Even
the 10 miles to Deary will be a large
inconvenience for most of us. Our town
is small but it is very important
that we keep our post office in
Bovill!

Thank you

Manley & Karen Waller